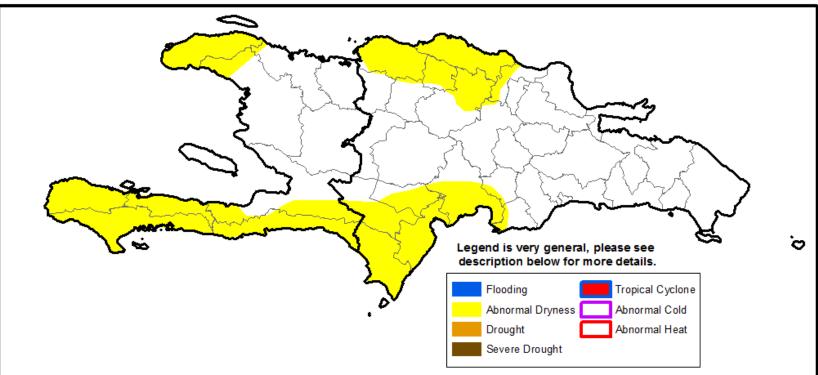


## Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook December 3 – December 9, 2015

Increased rains in late November help relieve dryness.



A southward extending mid-latitude frontal passage resulted in a considerable increase in late season precipitation during the last week. According to satellite data, the highest weekly precipitation accumulations (>75mm) were felt across the southern Haitian peninsula, with lesser amounts (>25mm) in received across several interior departments and some coastal areas. While this recent increase in precipitation during late November is expected to help provide some relief for many anomalously dry areas in Hispaniola, the persistence of infrequent and suppressed rainfall since September has already led to degraded ground conditions, following a poor seasonal rainfall performance from earlier this year. Recent vegetation indices have indicated unfavorable conditions over many local areas along the northern and southern coasts of Hispaniola. Similar conditions exist in Ouest Department of Haiti and neighboring Indepedencia Province in the Dominican Republic. Neutral conditions have been observed across the rest of the island. During the upcoming outlook period, there is a moderate potential for above-average precipitation to continue over southeastern Hispaniola, with more moderate rainfall amounts expected for both interior departments of Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Slightly below average rains are forecast for northern Haiti.